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SHIP OWNERS FAVOR CHEAP COOLIE LABOR

Washington, June 24.—The determination of certain shipping interests to employ cheap and docile coolie labor has definitely resulted in the employment of the Pacific Ocean Steamship Association and the Ship Owners' Association of the Pacific Coast in testifying before a Senate committee.

"No law forbids us hiring these men (Chinese), and if you take away the right from the Robert Dollar Company of handling those Chinese, all we have to do is to go to the open market and buy the Chinese and carry them to San Francisco," said Mr. J. M. Peters, general manager of the Ship Owners' Association of the Pacific Coast, in testimony before the Senate committee.

"This is merely the same state old threat that has been hurled at legislators ever since the Chinese came to the United States and ever since the Chinese have been used as a source of cheap labor."

"It requires a strange mentality," continues the Senator, "to believe that the Chinese are a source of cheap labor and yet insist upon the alleged right to import them."

GARY'S ANTI-UNION SHOP IS SLAVERY FOR LABOR

New York, June 24.—The recent statement by Judge Charles S. McGowan, U. S. District Court, that employers in the United States are entitled to "fair and liberal treatment of employees," the "open shop" is a source of cheap labor to work whenever and wherever he is disposed and not to be paid for his services, and "that labor should receive proper and adequate compensation for his services."

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Ladies' Garment Workers Demand 40-Hour Week and More Union Control of Industry

New York, N. Y., June 24.—"We all know by now what is ailing the cloak industry, and so far as the ladies' garment workers are concerned, it knows with no less certainty what can cure this industry from devastating illness."

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Printers in 18 Towns Win Wage Increases

Indianapolis, Ind., June 24.—The International Typographical Union has secured a 10 percent wage increase in 18 towns in Indiana, according to the report of the board of inquiry set up by the minister of labor.

40 Railway Workers Killed in New Zealand

Wellington, New Zealand, June 24.—The last 10 days have been a period of fatal and non-fatal shunting accidents, according to the report of the board of inquiry set up by the minister of labor.

Occupational Diseases Smite Thousands of Workers; Protection by Law Inadequate

Chicago, Ill., June 24.—Severe criticism of the inadequacy of the law of the state directed to workers subjected to occupational diseases, was made by Dr. H. H. Hamilton, professor of industrial medicine at the University of Chicago, in a lecture given at the headquarters of the American Association of Industrial Hygienists.

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A FOLLETT FOR THE PEOPLE

Washington, June 24.—The Senate chamber presented an impressive picture when crowds filled the floor and galleries in a demonstration to the memory of the late Senator Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin.

Eulogies were delivered by Senators of all political parties, praising the principle and achievements of the man who is credited with having been the father of more labor legislation than any other person who ever sat in the Congress of the United States.

The following are a few of the many tributes given by Senator La Follette's political associates:

SENATOR SHIMMELT. "The time will come when cold memories in steel and stone will tell his memory; but the everlasting and eternal memory that will immortalize Robert M. La Follette will be that memory of his service to humanity which is embodied in the hearts and souls of men and women who lived him for what he was, loved him because he did not think and speak, who loved him because he did not sacrifice to achieve power."

SENATOR FLAXIER. "Today the La Follette is a better, brighter place in which to live than it was when Robert M. La Follette lived here and served here. What noble aim and purpose of our land that to devote their lives to the unselfish promotion of the good of the people. Accordingly he refused to compromise with evil."

SENATOR DILL. "He will live in the galaxy of America's great, not merely in the galaxy of his own time, but because he was a great thinker and a great fighter. He was a man who stood out from the crowd, a man who was not content with the status quo, a man who was not content with the status quo."

SENATOR WALSH. "He threw down the gauntlet to the forces of reaction and democracy and against the forces of reaction and democracy."

SOVIET INEBOR LABOR LAWS FOR R. WORKERS

Moscow, June 24.—Violation of the labor code by the management of the Russian Railways is being protested by the labor inspector in an address to the Soviet of Workers' Deputies.

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MARYLAND EMPLOYERS FLOUT CHILD LABOR LAW

Baltimore, Md., June 24.—Maryland employers continue to violate the child labor law, according to a report of the labor inspector.

"The labor inspector reported that many employers in Maryland are flouting the child labor law, and that many children are working in dangerous conditions."

40-Hour Week Pleases N. Y. Fur Workers

New York, June 24.—Fur workers are jubilant over their victory as a result of the 40-hour week.

"The fur workers in New York have won their fight for the 40-hour week, and they are very happy about it."

TRADE UNIONS PROTECT INTERESTS OF WORKERS

Toledo, Ohio, June 24.—Labor unions are protecting the interests of workers in Toledo, Ohio.

THE FRIEND OF THE PEOPLE

In every form, and continued the fight for nearly a generation, until his over-throw by the down-thrust and oppression of the mob, and never since during his long and eventful life did he compromise with sin or surrender to wrong.

To those who loved him and followed him and believed in him there will always be the happy knowledge and consolation that even his worst enemies never accused him of infidelity to the cause of righteousness as he saw it. He was true to his own every aspiration for the next struggle. He was a dead end to those who ever expected the possibility of compromise for his personal, temporary advancement, and in answer to suggestions from the enemy that a different course might be taken, he was true to his own every aspiration for the next struggle.

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